# LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 7509 DATE PREPARED:** Jan 18, 2001

BILL NUMBER: HB 2082 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Health Profession Standards of Practice.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill prohibits, under the health professions standards of practice, the act of a practitioner engaging in or soliciting sexual contact with the practitioner's patient or client.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

#### **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** If a practitioner engaged in or solicited sexual contact with a patient or client, that was not the practitioner's spouse, the practitioner could be subject to sanction or fine based upon a Health Professional Board or Commission's findings and decision. The maximum fine is \$1000 per violation. All fines collected under this provision are deposited into the State General Fund.

## **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

## **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Health Professions Bureau, Health Professional Boards and Commissions.

## **Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Matt Hopper, Health Professions Bureau, (317) 234-1236.

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